

# HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 461

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A RESOLUTION to honor and congratulate Lieutenant Roger “Chip” Webster on being named the Bartlett Fire Department Officer of the Year by the Knights of Columbus.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should salute those citizens who, through their extraordinary efforts, have distinguished themselves as public servants and community leaders of whom we can all be proud; and

WHEREAS, one such noteworthy person is Lieutenant Roger “Chip” Webster, who has been named the Bartlett Fire Department Officer of the Year by the Knights of Columbus; and

WHEREAS, hired August 16, 1998, Chip Webster immediately began displaying the type of performance that has become the defining characteristic of his firefighting career; Lieutenant Webster’s ability to recognize opportunity and seize the initiative makes him especially adept at handling the very dangerous situations he and his fellow firefighters encounter on a regular basis; and

WHEREAS, throughout his time at the Bartlett Fire Department, Lieutenant Chip Webster has worked assiduously to improve his skills by seeking out professional training, education, and further certification, keeping himself well ahead of the recognized standards set for other men and women on the same career path; and

WHEREAS, as Mr. Webster advanced through the ranks from Firefighter to Driver to Fire Lieutenant, he was always searching for ways to improve himself through education and training, and his efforts inspired his co-workers to do the same; and

WHEREAS, Lieutenant Chip Webster is an instinctive leader; he consistently displays the ability to generate confidence among his firefighters, even as he commands their respect;

he is imminently self-possessed, well trained, and ambitious, and his professional future will no doubt include much more success; and

WHEREAS, in addition to all his drive, training, and leadership ability, Lieutenant Chip Webster is a gentleman of the highest order, possessed of a pleasant demeanor and a calm, even temperament; and

WHEREAS, Lieutenant Webster is most grateful for the love and companionship he shares with his wife, Kathleen; together the couple have three children, Carly, Kayla, and Cayden; and

WHEREAS, Lieutenant Chip Webster epitomizes the spirit and commitment that are characteristic of a true Tennessean; and

WHEREAS, this General Assembly finds it appropriate to pause in its deliberations to acknowledge and applaud him for his dedication to the people of Bartlett and all the citizens of Tennessee; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED SIXTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we hereby honor and congratulate Lieutenant Roger "Chip" Webster on being named the Bartlett Fire Department Officer of the Year by the Knights of Columbus and extend to him our best wishes for every future success.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.